October19, 2003

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mon., Oct. 20, 2003
Rom 4:20-25 Lk 12:13-21
Mass - 5:45 pm
Office Hours – 9:00 am - 12:30 pm, 1:00pm - 3:30 pm

Tues., Oct.21, 2003
Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21 Lk 12:35-38
Mass - 7:00 am
Office Hours – 900 am - 12:30 pm, 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm
4:30 pm - Communion Service, Bob Roseland home.
7:00 pm - Liturgy Meeting

Wed., Oct. 22, 2003
Rom 6:12-18 Lk 12:39-48
9:00 - 12:00 - Food Pantry
Office Hours - Closed
Mass - 5:45 pm
6:00 pm - Youth Meal
7:00 pm - Youth Formation Class

Thurs., Oct. 23, 2003
Rom 6:19-23 Lk 12:49-53
Mass - 7:00 am
Office Hours - 9:00 am - 12:30 pm, 1:00pm - 3:30 pm
7:00 pm - Administrative Committee Meeting

Fri., Oct. 24, 2003
Rom 7:18-25a Lk 12:54-59
No Mass
Office Hours - 9:00 am - 12:30 pm, 1:00 pm - 3:30pm

Sat., Oct. 25, 2003
Bar 4:5-12, 27-29 Lk 10:17-24 (week-day reading)
Rom 8:1-11 Lk 13:1-9
9:00 - 12:00 noon - Food Pantry
9:00 - 10:30 - Share Distribution
4:00 - 4:30 - Reconciliation
5:00 p.m. Mass

Ministry Schedule:
Music: Family Choir
Euch. Min.: Body: Pat Roe
Blood: Charlie/Eileen Desmond
Wayne Roe/Cathy Wang
Lector: Carol Greene/Doris Hume
Servers: Bethany Ehresmann/Alex Kuehler
Jessica Schacher
Usher: Joe/Diane Norman
Gift Bearers: ***Please Volunteer***
Bread Baker: Christina Schweigerdt (all 3 masses)
Sacristan: Joe & Linda Schacher

Sun., Oct. 26, 2003
Jer 31:7-9 Heb 5:1-6 Mk 10:46-52
8:00 a.m. Mass

Ministry Schedule:
Music: Regena's Minstrels
Euch. Min.: Body: Barb Erickson
Blood: Kathleen Amiotte/Diane Clarke
Gary Erickson/Betsy Van Asma
Lector: Marty Quinn/ Reeny Wilson
Servers: Tanner/Brianna Quinn
Alexander Vargo
Usher:Phillip Clarke/Tom Van Asma
Gift Bearers: ***Please Volunteer***
Sacristan: Gary/Barb Erickson
9:00 - Rosary Prayer in Church
9:00 am - Coffee/Donuts
9:15 am - Youth Formation Class
10:30 a.m. Mass

Ministry Schedule:
Music: Folk Group
Euch. Min.: Body: Lorinda Collings
Blood: Brad/Mary Blauvelt
Brenda Czmowski/Jean Schubauer
Lector: Tom Collings/Tyler Schubauer
Servers:Gina/Megan Czmowski
Dana Schubauer
Usher: James Pulaski/Duane Schubauer
Gift Bearers: ***Please Volunteer***
Sacristan:Brad/Mary Blauvelt

Intentions:
Sat., Oct. 18 - Repose of Alice Kocer
Sun., Oct. 19 - 8:00 am - For Parishoners
Mon., Oct. 20 - 10:30 am - Repose of Lloyd Sorlie
Tues., Oct. 21 - Repose of Lloyd Sorlie
Wed., Oct. 22 - Repose of Lloyd Sorlie
Thurs., Oct. 23 - Repose of Lloyd Sorlie

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Young children learn much from the example of the adults in their lives. Pray today for married people, that they may be faithful to their call to married life and be an inspiration to their children. (Mark 10:12-16)

SPARKS FROM MARK:

A month or so ago in one of my homilies I quoted Msgr. O'Connell as saying when the Holy Spirit is hot, and places in ones heart a call or a moving of ones spirit, then one must act. One cannot let the Holy Spirit have a chance to cool off.

This past May and June, I believe that the Holy Spirit was hot in my life, calling me to think and to ponder the possibility of going back to school. There is a real longing in my heart to continue to learn the richness, sources and tradition of our Catholic Faith.

I visited with several friends about this desire and call of mine and they encouraged me to visit with the Bishop about it. Last June I visited with Bishop Cupich about applying for a Doctor of Ministry in Preaching from Aquinas Institute of Theology in St. Louis, Missouri. He sounded excited about the possibility and encouraged me to visit with the pastoral council and staff at the parish.

In July, I met with our pastoral council and parish staff and they to seem excited about this possibility as well. Some thought I was crazy for wanting to take tests and write research papers all over again. However, they saw a real benefit not only for me, but for the parish and the diocese.

In September, I met with the Bishop and the Diocesan Consulters and they gave me permission to move forward with the application process of applying for a Doctor of Ministry in Preaching. Last week I finished and sent off my application in to Aquinas Institute of Theology. I should hear back by end of December whether or not I have been accepted to enter the program.

If I am accepted to the program I will still remain the pastor of OLBH. The program is set up as a long distance learning module. I will need to be in St. Louis three times a year for a week at a time for intensive classroom work. There will be weekly reading assignments, tests and research papers. The doctorate program takes four years with a total of thirty credit hours and a thesis project at the end.

I will let you know in December if I am accepted to this program. Again, I am excited and nervous about the possibilities.

Prayer Corner: *Please remember in your daily prayers:*
Rose Ann Cartney - improved health
Robin Stahly - peace
Trish Kostel - improved health
Justin Judy- improved health
Joshua Weaver - improved health
Elaine O'Donnell - for healing
Judi James - for healing
Marie Potthoff - improved health
Marcella Lipp - repose
Sid Pulaski - healing
Margaret Turnis - improved health
Matthew Bearden - improved health
Marlyce Erhart - repose
Kelly Odens - improved health
Lloyd Sorlie - repose

Salad Luncheon and Fall Festival
Will be held on Sunday, Oct. 26, 2003. Anyone interested in helping to plan the event should call Lorinda Collings at 787-5623. There is a **sign up sheet** in the Narthex if you would like to help. Planning needs to begin soon!

Youth Formation Happenings:
Check out the website at http://olbh.org. Click on News and then click on newsletter.

Do you have an older child who has not had the sacraments of Baptism and/or First Communion? We may be starting a class to help these children prepare for these sacraments. Call Brenda at 787-5168.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Baptism Prep: 1st Sunday of each Month. Call 787-5168 to make an appointment.

Rosary After Masses: The Rosary will be recited through Oct. of 2003 in celebration of the "Year of the Rosary"

Adult Fellowship Group: Meets every Sunday at 9:15 during Youth Formation Classes. All adults are welcome, but especially those who have kids in CCD. Share the faith, enjoy the fellowship! For more info. Call Mark at 341-6275.

"Great Saint" Parish Party Sat., Nov. 1 after the 5 pm Mass. Light meal followed by fun & fellowship. Come dressed as your favorite saint. Everyone is encouraged to attend. Sign up in the gathering area.

Hand made rosaries and rosary bracelets for sale in the parish office. The bracelets are a great way for women to have a reminder to say the rosary while away on a busy day. Either 1 decade or full bead rosary bracelets look great and tells of our Catholic faith. A great gift that helps the piano fund too! Fr. Mark will bless the rosaries at no extra cost!

Volunteers Needed: The office will be unlocked on Wednesday's for Volunteers (still needed) to answer phones on Wednesdays from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm, and 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm. We also need a volunteer to answer the phones on Tuesday mornings from 9:00 am to 11:30 am, during our staff meeting. If you are interested in helping, call Diane in the office at 787-5168.

Collection Counters: We are looking for volunteers to count collections on Sunday afternoon or Monday mornings. We are looking for groups of 2 people who are not related by blood or marriage to help. Call the office at 787-5168, or talk to Fr. Mark.

OLBH is looking for someone with a Sam's Club card who would be willing to keep the kitchen supplies - cups, napkins, garbage bags, etc. stocked for use. The church would pay for the supplies. Call Diane in the office, if you would like to volunteer. 787-5168.

The Confirmation retreat is on Sunday the 19th, here at Our Lady of the Black Hills. Please pray for the children and their sponsors as they participate in the retreat.

Children's Humor:

Pay special attention to the wording and spelling. It comes from a Catholic elementary school. Kids were asked questions about the Old and New Testaments. Children wrote the following statements about the Bible. They have not been retouched or corrected. (i.e., incorrect spelling has been left in for your pleasure)

1. In the first book of the bible, Guinessis, God got tired of creating the world, so he took the Sabbath off.
2. Adam and Eve were created from an apple tree. Noah's wife was called Joan of Ark. Noah built an ark, which the animals come on to in pears.
3. Moses led the Hebrews to the Red Sea, where they made unleavened bread which is bread without any ingredients.
4. The Egyptians were all drowned in the dessert. Afterwards, Moses went up on Mount Cyanide to get the ten ammendments.
5. The first commandment was when Eve told Adam to eat the apple.
6. The seventh commandment is thou shalt not admit adultery.
7. Moses died before he ever reached Canada. Then Joshua led the Hebrews in the battle of Geritol.
8. The greatest miracle in the Bible is when Joshua told his son to stand still and he obeyed him.
9. Jesus was born because Mary had an immaculate contraption.
10. St. John the blacksmith dumped water on his head.
11. The people who followed the Lord were called the 12 decibels.
12. The epistles were the wives of the apostles.
13. Christians have only one spouse. This is called monotony.
14. Jesus enunciated the Golden Rule, which says to do one to others before they do one to you. He also explained, a man doth not live by sweat alone.

Cyber - Prayer Corner

Please remember these people in your daily prayers:

- For a son - God's protection and direction
- For a couple, Sylvia/Harvey to find a happy relationship
- For a friend, Bill, that his health improves and he is healed.
-For a friend, Eddie, that has many health problems. May he find the strength to survive the surgeries and be healed?
-For healing of illness - Serine de Jesus & Joann
-For healing of Harvey
-Special intentions of Bob

STEWARDSHIP
October 11 & 12, 2003
General Collections:

*Loose-	$1,154.76
*Envelopes-	$2,300.00
*Votive-	$4.00
*Student -	$87.97
Youth Formation -	$185.00
Altar Fund -	$500.00
Seminarian Fund-	$125.00
Mass Intentions-Stipends -	$20.00
World Mission Sunday-	$1,053.00
	$5,429.73

* Amounts figured into the contribution income for the chart below.

2004 Actual and Budgeted Income

Oct.11 - 12, 2003 Last weekend $3,546.73	Weekly Budgeted $4,100.00
Year to date actual $59,906.46	Year to date budgeted $61,500.00

Diocesan News:

October is Respect Life Month 2003

There are many activities and information planned for the month of October. Please see the bulletin board in Narthex for all information.

As part of its continuing "Stronger Parents-Healthier Children" series, Catholic Social Services is sponsoring a Brown Bag Workshop at the RC Public Library. The workshops are from 12 to 1 pm every Tuesday until Nov. 18. A variety of topics will be presented, all equipping us to be better parents. For more information, contact CSS at: 605-348-6086.

Introduction to the Enneagram: Oct. 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10. Benedict Hall, St. Maring Monastery, Monday nights 5:30 to 7:30. Recommended text: THE ENNEAGRAM MADE EASY by Baren and Wagele, available in St. Martin gift shop. Seminar offered along with Myers Briggs commentary by Joe Wagner. The Enneagram is a useful tool for improving relationships with family, friends and co-workers. Offering of $60.00 for six nights. Scholarships are available. Continuing Education credit is available. For more information call: Sister Marmion at 605-343-2688. Registration is necessary.

Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreats are a beautiful opportunity for any person who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of an abortion. The retreat is a very specific process designed to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God. It is also an opportunity to access and release repressed feelings of anger, shame, guilt and grief. There are many exercises to help you grieve the loss of your unborn child and to receive and accept God's forgiveness. The retreat concludes with a Memorial and Resurrection Service. The weekend will help you soul find a voice and transform the pain of the past into love and hope. The next retreat will be held Oct. 24-26 in the Rapid City area. For more information contact Carol at 605-374-5639 or call 1-877-HOPE-4-ME (1-877-467-3463) You may also visit the web site at www.rachelsvineyard.org.

The Reach Team: will be in our Diocese from January 22 - February 5. This is a great opportunity for your teens. To reserve a date or for more information, please call LaVonne at 723-3226 or email: stpauls@rushmore.com

Oblate Retreat starting October 31, 2003

The Benedictine Oblates of St. Martin Monastery invite you to attend our retreat starting at 6:30 pm October 31,and ending after lunch on November 2, 2003. Monsignor O'Connell will be retreat director. Look for a great time of prayer, reflection and growing closer to God. Non oblates are invited to come, both male and female. It will be ecumenical which includes basic theology of the Church. If you wish to attend, please send the registration fee (25.00) to Tom Durkin, 3101 Country Club Dr., Rapid City, 57702. Questions will be answered by Tom, or by Sister Marmion at 343-2688.

Vocations: Sundays--Oct. 5,19 & Nov. 2

On Nov. 8-10, Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary in Winona, MN An the Office of Vocations will host a College Live-In Weekend for young men who are juniors/seniors in high school and college aged students who are interested in knowing more about the seminary life. The Live-In schedule will include a tour of the campus, discussions, meals and prayer with the college seminarians, attendance at classes, and time for swimming and recreation. There is **no charge** for the weekend. We will leave on Nov 7th and return on Nov 10th. For further information, please contact Fr. Brian Christensen, Director of Vocations at 605-484-8940 or Godscall@diorc.org.

The Second Annual Rhubarb Festival will be held at St. Martin Monastery on Wednesday, October 22 from 11 am to 3pm in the cafeteria. Come join the Benedictine Sisters for lunch, a variety of desserts and a visit to the gift shop. The rhubarb was picked from the monastery garden.

Angel Bazaar: The Cathedral Angel Bazaar will be held on Saturday, December 6, 2003, in the Cathedral Hall. To rent a table, please call Jane at 348-9439.

For the Ride Home
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 19, 2003

Scripture

"and the will of the LORD shall be accomplished through him. (Isaiah 53:10)
"through his suffering, my servant shall justify many, (Isaiah 53:11)
"Our soul waits for the LORD, who is our help and our shield. (Psalm 33:20)
"For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin. (Hebrews 4:15)
"whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; (Mark 10:42)

Reflection

Is God's will accomplished through me? Is my will, God's will?
The saints fully abandon themselves to God.
In dying (to my willing) I am born to eternal life.
In Gethsemani, Jesus suffered, struggling to accept God's will.
Jesus becomes God's will on Earth through me.
Jesus, help me in my struggles to accept your will for me.
Help me to enter Gethsemani, watch with you, and be your will.